MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COIR BAORD—Adopted

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, motion for election to the Coir Board.

SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Sir, I have to make a submission in this regard. I was elected to this Board from this House. Sir, there are about 20 commodities Boards which are under the Ministry of Commerce. Now, this is the only Board which has been transferred to the Ministry of Industry and most of the funds which are allocated for promotion of this industry are not being utilised because the Ministry of Industry does not know how to deal with the commodities Boards. There was a resolution from the Coir Board that this Board may be transferred back to the Ministry of Commerce. So, I want to know the response of the Government in this regard.

THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): Sir, I have noted the comments of the hon. Member. We will see as to what can be done in this regard. Sir, with Your permission I beg to move the following motion:

That in pursuance of clause (e) of subsection (3) of section 4 of the Coir Industry Act, 1953 (45 of 1953), read with clause (e) of sub-rule (1) of rule 4 and subrule (1) of rule 5 of the Coir Industry Rules, 1954, this House do proceed to elect, in such manner as the Chairman may direct, one Member from among the Members of the House to be a member of the Coir Board.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Delhi Chief Minister's Reported Allegation that the Presidents of Rashtriya Janata Dal and Samajwadi Party are sending Criminals to Delhi.

श्री रमा शंकर कौशिक (उत्तर प्रदेश): श्रीमन्, मैं आप के माध्यम से इस सदन के संज्ञान में एक जिम्मेदारी के पद पर आसीन मुख्य मंत्री माननीय साहिब सिंह जी के एक गैर-जिम्मेदाराना बयान की ओर ध्यान दिलाना चाहता हूं।

श्रीमन्, स्टेट्समेन में उन का एक बयान छपा है जोकि इस प्रकार है:

Sir, it says:

> "So far cited only for the bomb blasts, the Chief Minister, Mr. Sahib Singh, today suggested a 'foreign' hand was behind the spiralling crime rate in the capital, not from 'across the border' but criminals let loose by the Rashtriya Janata Dal president, Mr. Laloo Prasad Yadav and Samajwadi Party President, Mr. Mulayam Singh Yadav.

The motive, the Chief Minister told the Delhi Bharatiya Janata party's Executive Committee here, was to defame the party's Governments in the Centre and in Delhi. 'I have been told that they have sent about 200 criminals here,' he said, asking party leaders to remain alert.

Asked to clarify his remarks later, Mr. Singh told journalists that he had received the information from a source whose identity he could not divulge. On persistent queries, he clarified that the information did not come from the Delhi Police but a senior Government official. 'I asked the offical not to raise this angle till there was some concrete evidence, like the police arrests someone who confesses that he was sent by them to create havoc,' the Chief Minister added."

श्रीमन्, मैंने कल इस सदन के संज्ञान में उत्तर प्रदेश के संबंध में इस बात को लाया था कि उत्तर प्रदेश में समाजवादी पार्टी के कार्यकर्ताओं के साथ अन्याय हो रहा है और अब इस बयान के बाद तो ऐसा लगता है कि हमारे नेताओं को, जो हमारी पार्टी के प्रेसीडेंट भी हैं और इस पार्टी से संसदीय दल के नेता भी हैं माननीय मुलायम सिंह जी यादव और राष्ट्रीय जनता दल के माननीय लालू प्रसाद जी यादव, दोनों को किसी भी ढंग से फंसाने की साजिश जानबूझकर की जा रही है।

श्रीमन्, इस बयान के आखिर में जो बात है, उस पर जरा आप गौर कीजिए, जो इस बात का संकेत दे रहे हैं कि किसी एक ऐसे आदमी को बंद कर दिया जाए, जो